THE MAKERS OF VIRGINIA LAWS

"In addition to the fact that I offer you a man who has been upon the bench for twenty years, if the days of the long ago mean anything now, I say that in 1990-ff, when the war was on, Judge Garnett made a brave and splendid record fighting for his native State,

Hot Cross Firing,

Mr. Lewis, of Essex, named Hon. Claggett B. Jones. He felt that he could not measure up to Mr. Sears as an orator, but since the gentleman had referred to the senatorial race, where the people had kept the incumbent in office, he would like to know if Mr. Sears did not try to turn him out. The caucus laughed heartly and there was much cheering, but Mr. Sears came back, saying that he had supported Governor Montague and had no apologies to offer. "And since the people have corrected me, sir, I hope you will abide their decision." he concluded amid renewed laughter and applause.

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Commonwealth's attorney,

he laid stress upon the idea that the members should rule in the selection of Judges, rather than the bar.

Mr. Pettit replied for Judge Garnett, and he declared that where the judiciary was at stake it should be kept above partisan politics, and decided without reference to party views of the candidates. He paid a splendid tribute to his friend, and said he had as big a head and as warm a hear, as any man in Viriginia.

Answering Mr. Byrd as to the members for the cicuit deciding the contest, Mr. Pettit asked why then did all the legislators have votes on the subject.

Judge O. O. Gwathmey, of King William, said he came to the body to right a wrong so far as he could, He had supported Mr. Jones two years ago and had appealed to Mr. Sears to do so on behalf of the people of his county, who were largely for him. He thought Mr. Sears should have supported Mr. Jones, and he had come to the Legislature to see if possible that Mr. Jones was elected this time. He said Judge Garnett was in the war a few days and Mr. Jones wis too young. The latter had served on the State Democratic committee for years and should be rewarded.

Senator Thomas thought more was involved than the mere matter of giving scenebody a judge. The exhibition wit-

volved than the mere matter of giving somebody a judge. The exhibition wit-nessed here was sufficient to put men in nessed here was sufficient to put men in a position to view the contest in a clearer and better light. He knew neither candidate personally. He was informed that both would make good judges, and he seconded Mr. Jones.

earnestly for Judge Moffit and he praised his favorite in a most compli-

entary manner. Upon roll call the vote resulted as fol-

lows:

Mr. Read was paired with Mr. Withers,
Mr. Cox with Mr. Sears. The first
named in each case would have voted
for Judge Meffit and the last for Judge
Moomaw.

On motion of Judge Phiegar, the nomination of Judge Moffit was made unanimous. Mr. Sears had gotten through a
similar motion as to Mr. Jones at the
end of that roll call.

Public Printer Contest.

At 12:05 A. M. Senator Harman arose to name a candidate for Public Printer, He nominated Hon, Dayls Bottom, the oumbent.

Mr. Cox, of Richmond, named Mr. cox, of Richmond, named Mr. cornee A. Hawkins, of this city, in a horide speech.

Henstor Lassiter spoke earnestly for Mr. Bottom, and he declared that the printers of his city had requested him

On the War Path!

Cutting and slashing the prices

You're right if you come today-left if you delay.

Double-Breasted Suits, Single-Breasted Suits, **English Walking Suits,** In all shades, mixtures and fabrics . . .

## Big Cut in Hanan's Shoes.

Don't fail to visit the Big Boys' Sale to-day.

## O. H. Berry & Co.,

Lane, Lassiter, Lewis, Lion, Louderback, Love, Lynn, Mason, Massie, Moncure, McRae, Niemeyer, Eugene Ould, Owens.

back, Love, Lynn, Mann, Mason, Massie, Moncure, McRae, Niemeyer, William W. Moncure, McRae, Niemeyer, William W. Old, Jr., Eugene Ould, Owen, Owens, Parker, Person, Pettit, Peyton, Pitts, Prince, Puller, Pulliam, Rew. Rison, Roberts, Rogers, Sadler, Sale, Scott, Shackolford, Shands, Slaughier, Spessard, Stänfield, Sterrett, St. Clair, Swift, Sydnor, C. C. Tallaferro, J. L. Tallafetro, Tavenner, Throckmorton, Trolinger, C. H. Walker, Wallace, West, Whitehead, H. T. Wickham, T. Ashby Wickham, Wilkins, J. D. Williams, Martin Williams and Wilson—92.

Jarker, Byrd, Campbell, Churchman, Coleman, Echols, Gaines, Gregory, Lee, ewis, Lowry, Machen, Patteson, Phlegar,

Judge Moormaw, and declared that of Judge Moormaw, and a why a man the people might well ask why a man had been turned out when he had been asked for by the people and the bar, and when no complaint had come as to his ervices.

## Praise Judge Moffit.

Mr. Shackelford seconded the nomina-tion of Judge Moffit in a brief speech, as did also Mr. West, of Bedford. Mr. Slaughter seconded the nomination

of Judge Moffit and Judge Phlegar arose to speak. He declared he had asked to speak. He declared he had asked Governor Montague to appoint Judge Moffit because he had seen him on the bench, and he had never seen Judge

standard of a good judge.
"I stand here now," he said, "endorsing Judge Moormaw, because he has neasured up, and because he is a judge

of fairness and ability.
Mr. Johnston, of Christianbaurg, se-conded Judge Moffit's nomination, and praised him as a fine man and an able Senator Fulton spoke elequently and

to second Mr. Bottom's nomination.
Speaker Cardwell spoke for Mr. Hawkins, as did Mr. Boyd, find Mr. Puller
seconded Mr. Bottom's nomination.

# NO FIGHT MADE

ing that the State shall pay the expenses, and embodying many other new features. There was not so many bills in the

their introduction.

Mr. Houston offered a bill to establish a school for the colored deaf and blind, at a cost of \$50,000.

Both houses will meet at noon to-day.

## THE SENATE.

in Perfect Shower.

around the rostrum and stored their papers away in coat pockets or held them in their hands. Three newspaper men crouched over an ancient and time-beaten table, resurrected from a rubbish heap in some long-forgotten corner.

Few minutes sufficed for the transaction of Senate business until the avalanche of bills came. A communication from the executive notified the Senate of the appointment of Joseph E. Willard to fill the unexpired term on the Corporation Commission, ending February 1, 1966, and for the term of six years thereafter following; the appointment of Judge Mooman to the vacancy in the Twentieth Judicial Circuit, and the appointment of Davis Bottom to be public printer.

The State Board of Education reported the names of the school superintendents

Moormaw as a judge.

He told Judge Moffit as soon as Judge
Moormaw was appointed, that he proposed to give the latter a fair trial and
support him if he measured up to the
pointment was received and concurred in,
the time for the session being fixed at

pages were scurrying in every direction, and the even voice of Clerk Button filled the hall. A shower of bills descended from every quarter, Senator Thomas leading off with a contribution of nine, which he offered to present separately or "in gross" as the chair might desire. The Lyachburger stood upon the floor with a formidable batch of papers in his hand, sending the bills up one after the other. A dozen other senators followed Judge Sims, of Louisa, presented seventeen bills, dealing chiefly with schools and reads. In all, forty-three bills were offered and referred to the proper committees.

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While there were a number of important measures included in the list, the matter of chief interest during the day was a resolution offered by Senator Camm Patteson, of Buckingham, and referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice, as follows:

"Resolved, That so much of the message of Governor A. J. Montague as relates to the organization of the offices of the first and second auditor and State treasurer and the institution of a system of modern bookkeeping and other appropriate changes in the methods now practiced in these

DELEGATE MOSES GREEN.

offices be referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice with directions to formulate and report such bills as may best carry out the recom-mendations so made." A resolution offered by Senator Strode

tried to sentence certain prisoners to hard labor on the public roads, instead of confinement in the peniteriary, for the commission of felony.

By Sienator Phiegar:

To authorize the school board of Christiansburg District, No. 4, of the county of Montgomery, to borrow money for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a school house in or near the town of Christiansburg and to provide for the payment of the amount which may be barrowed.

By Senator T. Ashby Wickham:

To amend and re-enact an act entitled "An act to establish a normal school at William and Mary Collegs in connection with its collegiate course," approved March 5, 1888.

By Senator Harman:

To amend and re-enact section 51 of an act entit ed an act to relie revenue for the suffert of the government and public free schools and to pay the interest on the public debt, and to provide a special tax for pensions, as authorized by section 180, of the Constitton, approved April 16, 1903, and further amended by act approved May 29, 1903.

By Senator Fuiton.—To provide of what protest shall be evidence.

By Senator Chapman.—To repeal section 187, of the Code of Virginia.

By Senator St. Clair.—To amend and re-enact Chapter 688, of the Acts of 187 and 1898, concerning the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section, for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section, for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section, for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section, for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe county and to add Independent section for the permanent improvement of the public roads and bridges in Wythe

Unanimously Confirmed. The House session was brief but full

## The Metamorphosis of Corpus Delicti

A romance of thrilling interest, writen by J. H. Cranson and well illustrated, will be printed in the

Sunday Times-Dispatch.

of interest; another large batch of more of less important measures were offered and referred.

Dr. Russell Ceell, of the Presbyterian Church, offered prayer, and the reading of the journal of the previous day's proceedings was dispensed with. There were but few visitors in the galleries.

Clerk Williams read the list of his assistant clerks, the names of whom have already been printed.

A resolution was offered by Judge Martin Williams, and adopted, directing the committee for courts of justice, when appointed, to ascertain the most expeditious and economical methods of compling the laws of the State, with a view to furnishing them to justices of the peace and other local officers.

In explaining his resolution, Judge Williams declared that these officials were without Codes, and that indeed the State had tone she could call her own. He said the Poliard Cods, the first ever compiled, was owned by private parties, and the price was \$15, putting it out of the reach of small offices. He thought the State should either furnish a compilation of the laws free to local officers, or so arrange that they might have them at solw figure.

To Lower Taxes.

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Hon. Charles T. Bland, of Portsmouth, got through a resolution, instructing the finance committee, when named, to fix the lowest possible rate of taxation on real and personal property. The resolution appeared lost by the sound, but a roll call was demanded by Mr. Royall, and it was carried.

When ruic 39 was reached there was another steady flow of bills from all over the House, but the number was not so great as on the preceding day.

On motion of Mr. Lee, one day's leave of absence was granted to the gentleman from Southampton, Mr. Prince.

The Governor sent a communication, informing the House of the appointment of Hon. Davis Bottom to succeed Mr. J. H. OBannon, deceased.

A joint resolution was offered by Mr. Jennings, providing for a joint session to act upon the appointment of Capt. Joseph E. Nvillard, of Fairfax, as corporation commissioner, and as soon as it was adopted by the House and concurred in by the Senate, the latter body, at 12:30 o'clock P. M., filed into the House hall. The gallaries were cleared and Speaker Cardwell rapped for order.

The rolls of the two houses were called by their respective clerks, and in less than two minutes thereafter Caut. Willard's appointment for both the short and long terms had been unanimously confirmed, and the joint assembly dissolved.

Was Short Work.

There was little ceremony and no semblance of opposition to a motion made

### Offered and Referred.

ohlidren, and to provide for its support. y Mr. Old: and re-enact section 1414 of the Code of Virginia.

y Mr. Barrett:

To amend and re-enact clauses No. 7 and No. 38, chapter No. 5, of an act entitled an act concerning corporations, which became a law without the Governor's signature, May 21, 1903.

y Mr. Puller:
Prohibiting the corrupt influencing of agents, employes or servants, and prescribing, penalties upon persons using said influence, and upon agents, employes or servants submitting themselves thereto.

y Mr. Read:

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To extend ald to the counties in con-structing public highways, and to make appropriation for the same.
Mr. Snead:

Between That Country and

American Minister May Be Re-

# CHARGE OF FORGERY

Judge Declares the Charge Not Sustained and Jury Returns

In addressing the jury Judge Audenreid and the Commonwealth had not proved its charges of forgery and falsification of records, and there was nothing to do but acquit the defendant. The bills of indictment were then submitted to the jury, and a verdict of not guilty was rendered.

# WINDSOR HOTEL, MONTREAL; PARTIALLY DESTROYED (By Associated Press.) MONTREAL, QUE., January 12.—A section of the Windsor Hotel was destroyed

by fire to-night, causing a loss estimated at \$150,000. Only the form in which the

# WITH NITROGLYCERINE

To amend and re-enact section 40. 4 of an act entitled "An act to raise revenue for the support of the government."

By Mr. Baker:

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To provide for the appointment by the Register of the Land Office of two guards for the Interior of the Capital of the Ended of the Guards for the Interior of the Capital of the Capital of the Capital State, county, emailing unpuls on the 18th of the same were of may be assigned or assessable, and to prescribe the date from which such interest shall be charged. "Approved March 19th, 1904.

By Mr. Trollinger:

To amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled "An act to ald the citizens of Virginia, who were disabled by wounds received during the war between the States."

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Miss Florence Dansey wishes to express her appreciation of the patronage extended her while with Fermisson Brothers (dissolved January 1st), and soliciting a continuance of same with the LEE FERGUSSON PIANO CO., 23 West Broade

A CARD.

Members Prompt, and Bills Come

authorized by section is of the Constitution," approved Apri 16, 1903. (By request.)

To authorize and direct the auditor of public accounts to accept from county and city treasurers of the Commonwealth, all money collected by such treasurers as poll taxes under orders of courts since the 1st day of December, 1903.

By Senator H. T. Wickham:

To appropriate certain sums of money from the public treasury in aid of Confederate Memorial Associations, having in charge cemeteries containing the graves of Cofnederate soldiers.

To prohibit the use of certain vehicles on any of the public roads of this State and prescribing the punishment therefor.

To amend and re-enact sub-sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 20 of section 944s, of the Code of Virginia, 1904, relating to the establishment proper, construction and permanent improvement of the public roads and leadings for building and keeping in good order and repair all public roads, bridges, causeways and wharves.

Upon the subject of county roads, causeways and bridges, etc., and providing for the further division of counties into road sub-districts; for additional road tax therein; for election and appointment of officers of same, providing for the further division of counties into road sub-districts; for additional road tax therein; for election and appointment of officers of same, providing for their terms of office, powers, duties, etc., and duties of the State engineer in connection with the carrying into effect of this act.

To provide to for permanent improvement and maintenance of public roads; apportioning the expense thereof between the State, counties, and sub-divisions of the latter; appointing a State engineer prescribing certain duties of the board of supervisors and of the road officers of the counties, and penaltics for failure to discharges same, prescribing certain duties of the State Treasurer, auditor of public accounts, second auditor and centractors; allowing public roads to be closed while under construction, and maiding it middenating t under construction, and making the roads, macron sectary necessary necessity when so closed and prescribing the punishment therefor.

To amend and practice section 1470 of

providing for the guarding transportation, lodging, feeding, clothing, and medical attention of the State convict road force; providing for an increase of the penlientlary guard not to exceed forty-five men; providing how a county may have the benefit of the labor of the State convice road force; and appropriating money from the public treasury to carry the provisions of this act into effect.

To permit persons charged with crime and unable to furnish a ball bond or not let to ball with the consent of the Commonwealth's attorney, to work in chalngangs or in the State convict road force, and allowing such persons credit therefor on any sentence thereafter imposed for such crime of which he is charged and in case of accuittal allowing him to pay all his labor.

To authorize the court in which he is third to sentence certain prisoners to hard labor on the public roads, instead of confinement in the penlientlary, for the commission of felony.

By Stenator Phlegar; to the Virginia Mirtary Institute and the requirements of such State cadets concerning their teskhing, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved May 18, 1903.

To amend and re-enact clauses 7 and 39, chapter 5, of an act entitled "an act concerning corporations," which became a law without the Governor's signature, May 21, 1803. (By request).

To amend and re-enact an act entitled "an act to raise revenue for the support of the government and public free schools, to pay the interest on the public debt, and to provide a special tay for pensions, as authorized by section 189 of the Constitution," approved Apri 18, 1803. (By request.)

To authorize and direct the auditor of

Appointment of Captain Willard

# Diplomatic Relations Broken Off

A DEMONSTRATION PROBABLE quired to Look After French

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, January 12.—All diplomatic relations between Venezuela and France are broken, it is said at the State Department, and, although it is stated, no formal or official information to this effect has been received, the officials assume that in accordance with the usual procedure this will involve the carly departure from Venezuela of M. Taigny, the French representative there, and from France of M. Mubourguet, the Venezuelan agent at Paris.

The officials here are awaiting the turn of events with keen interest, although it is expressly stated that definite news regarding the next step that France will take is yet to be received.

In the event that the request is made by France it is stated permission will be cabled to Mynister Russell to look after French interests.

The State Department has been advised that cable communication with Venezuela has been interrupted.

It is now admitted that the relations between President Clastro and Minister Russell are not all that could be desired. The negotiations regarding the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company's claim have failed, but Secretary Root is determined to exhaust every method of diplomatic procedure, and has directed Minister Russell to take up the Critchfield claim, which is without compilications and is resarded

# HILL IS ACQUITTED ON

Verdict of Acquital.

at \$150,000. Only the form in which the building was constructed saved the remainder of the hotel, which is one of the largest in Canada. Heavy brick walls and fireprof doors confined the flames to the section where they originated.

The fire started in the kitchen and destroyed the center square, which included the dining room, grill room, bar and other public rooms.

The guests had plenty of time to remove their belongings, and at no time was there anything like a panic. Manager Weldon and Steward Dun were liured while fighting the fire before the arrival of the firemen. Their clothing caught fire and a heavy beam fell upon Mr. Weldon. Both men will recover.

HORSES IMPERIL TOWN

# The vote as recorded was-Jones, 7i; Garnet 37. It was as follows: For Jones-Messrs. Baker, J. M. Barker, Jr., W. C. Barker, Bland, Booker, Brown, Byrd, Campbell, Chapman, Churchman, Clarke, Clement, Cochran, Coleman, Curlett, Dunn, Early, Echols, Gaines, Garrett, Gill, Harry C. Glenn, Good, BoylaGreen, M. M. Green, Guerrant, Gwathmey, Haley, Harman, Hobbs, Holt, Houston,

Recorded Vote.

The vote as recorded was-Jones, 74;